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INTERSTATE CLOSURES, RESTRICTIONS AHEAD ON KINGERY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
INDOT to help motorists avoid congestion, lengthy delays on Indiana side

LAKE COUNTY, Ind. – Upcoming lane restrictions and temporary interstate closures on the Kingery Expressway (I-80/94) in Illinois will likely cause delays in Indiana on the Borman Expressway at various times during the next several months. Overnight closures from 15 minutes up to eight hours and significant lane restrictions are the result of the placement of bridge beams at the new interchange between the Kingery, Bishop Ford Expressway (I-94), Tri-State Tollway (I-80/294) and Illinois Route 394.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will provide information on restrictions, closures, detour routes and construction activities between now and the scheduled completion of this phase of the work in Illinois, currently set for early September.

The first of the closures and restrictions will occur this weekend, with the first closure longer than 15 minutes occurring the weekend of June 25. INDOT will provide detailed information on the Borman Expressway (I-80/94) construction Web site at www.borman.in.gov, a toll-free construction hotline, 877-HWY-WORK (877-499-9675), low-power radio station AM 530 and on message boards approaching the construction zone in northwest Indiana.

Detour routes around the construction zone will vary depending on the motorist's destination, but could include the Chicago Skyway, the Indiana Toll Road and U.S. 30 into Illinois.

In the meantime, work continues on the Borman Expressway in Indiana. This is the third season of a multi-year, \$300 million project to rebuild the 13-mile expressway from the Indiana-Illinois state line to just east of the I-65 interchange. This year's work focuses on the segment of the Borman between Cline Avenue and Broadway (State Road 53) in Gary. Carrying 160,000 vehicles per day, the Borman Expressway in northwest Indiana is one of the state's busiest highways.